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FDD Abstract

SKETCH AND PRODUCTION DATA FOR RHEINMETALL/BORSIG SOEMMERDA (3 pp; English and German; no date)

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This report consists of the following two documents:

A 3-page mimeographed document, of which the first two pages are in English and the third page, an appendix, is in German. This document refers to the 1951 planned production and current developments at the SAG Awtowelo, Rheinmetall/Borsig Soemmerda. The English section lists the planned 1951 production of typewriters, calculating machines, adding machines, invoicing machines, and printing dies. For each of these machines the total number of the various types (referred to by German abbreviations) to be produced in 1951, and also a breakdown of the number of types scheduled for production in each of the four quarters 1951 are given. The document points out that the production of typewriters is at present held up because of the difficulty in finding a market, which will probably result in a lay-off of about 2,000 employees in the near future. It is also mentioned that ten recording devices (Zaehlerblocks) are being built for the Russians; it is believed that this equipment is for use in connection with guided missiles. The German appendix gives a description of each of the abbreviations used in the above list for the various types of machines scheduled for production.

The second document is a photostated map, on a scale of 1:2,000, which shows in detail the installations of the above plant. The legend indicates the main production buildings and workshops.

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